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15. (Five Times Amended) A bearing pad assembly comprising:
a first housing having a bore extending through said first housing;
a first load bearing member coupled to said first housing and defining an
abutment surface opposite to said first housing;
a second housing having a bore extending through said second housing,
adapted to telescopically receive said first housing;
a second load bearing member coupled to said second housing and defining
an abutment surface opposite to said second housing; and
at least one compression spring in the shape of a toroid positioned within said
first housing bore, the toroid having an outside diameter minus an inside diameter
equal to or greater than a height when positioned in the bearing pad assembly.